Globulin, Immune

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Intravenous immune globulin, also known as IGIV, is a preparation of antibodies collected from human blood donors. These antibodies (immune globulins) can be delivered into the body to help fight certain infections and to help treat some immune system diseases.



Immune globulin was approved by the FDA on December 27, 1993 and is used to prevent serious bacterial infections in HIV infected children.

Dosage Information

Immune globulin is given by infusion into a vein.

Contraindications

Individuals should tell a doctor about any medical problems before starting immune globulin treatment.

Possible Side Effects

Along with its desired effects, intravenous immune globulin may cause some unwanted effects. Some side effects that may need a doctor's attention include troubled breathing; fast or pounding heartbeat; burning sensation in the head; bluish coloring of lips or nail beds; faintness or lightheadedness; sudden or severe tiredness or weakness; and wheezing. Individuals should tell a doctor if they have symptoms of any of these side effects.

Other side effects may not be serious and may lessen or disappear with continued use. These include joint pain; backache or pain; headache; general feeling of discomfort or illness; muscle pain; nausea; vomiting; chest or hip pain; leg cramps; redness, rash, or pain at injection site; and hives. Individuals should tell a doctor if these side effects continue or are bothersome.

Drug and Food Interactions

A doctor should be notified of any other medications being taken, including prescription, nonprescription (over-the-counter), or herbal



medications.

Clinical Trials

For information on clinical trials that involve Globulin, Immune, visit the ClinicalTrials.gov web site at http://www.clinicaltrials.gov. In the Search box, enter: Globulin, Immune AND HIV Infections.

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